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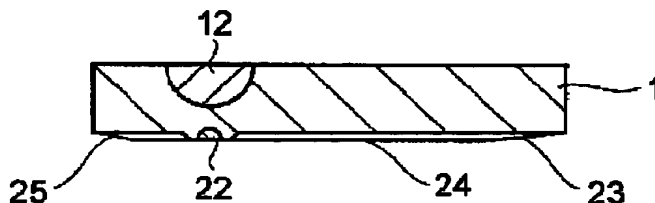
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TITLE : OPTICAL HEAD



ABSTRACT : **PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To realize accuracy improvement, mass-production improvement and miniaturization when a solid emerging lens is used.

SOLUTION: This optical head is provided with an objective lens 12 for converging illuminating lights directed to an optical information medium, and a solid emerging lens 22 installed between the optical information medium and the objective lens to convert a practical numeral aperture. In this case, the objective lens 12 and/or the solid emerging lens 22 is formed by changing the refractive index of a part of a glass substrate 1 by an ion exchange.

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